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Dear Ms. Rees:

I am interested in Periscopic because I am excited about data visualization. Visualizations have the potential to render data engaging to a diverse audience, encouraging a scientific, rationalist world view. They promise intellectual advancement—the more people that engage with a problem, the more likely one of them is to solve it. Finally, they look like fun to make. I am especially heartened by the motto on Periscopic's website: "Socially responsible information visualization: Doing good with data." I am excited to apply myself towards making ours a more data driven, rational society.

I have experience programming in a behavioral genetics laboratory at Reed College under the direction of Professors Susan C. P. Renn and Albyn Jones. In my research with them, I solved applied problems having to do with the interpretation of data using *R*, a computer language new to me at the time. I found the work satisfying, so much so that my last subject of study at the laboratory evolved naturally into my senior thesis in statistics. Since graduating in December, I have been pursuing computer science and programming (using the computer languages Haskell and Scala), auditing courses at Reed and learning about the UNIX operating system.

I am detail oriented, patient, and, because of my rigorous education, accustomed to tackling multiple projects simultaneously. I have strong social skills, as evidenced by my four years as a member of the Reed College ultimate frisbee team and a recent volunteer position as an outdoor trip student leader. Sharp and calm, I am a goal-oriented, team player. I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss my background and a position at Periscopic with you, either over the phone or in person. I can be reached by phone at (714) 362 6823 or by email at [andywinterman@gmail.com](mailto:andywinterman@gmail.com).

Thank you for reviewing my application.

Sincerely,  
Andrew Winterman

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